

## **State of New Hampshire**

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

AFSCME LOCAL 298, MANCHESTER PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

Petitioner

CASE NO. M-0544:53

**DECISION NO. 1998-047** 

v.

CITY OF MANCHESTER

Respondent

## ORDER ON PETITION TO MODIFY

An interim decision was issued on the above cited bargaining unit modification petition on March 18, 1998. The order was interlocutory in nature to allow the hearing of an underlying dispute regarding the composition of the appropriate bargaining unit, RSA 273-A:8 I, raised at the hearing on the original question of modification. On April 13, 1998, a pre-hearing conference was held in preparation for a second day of hearing scheduled for May 20, 1998. Subsequently, on May 8, 1998, AFSCME Local 298 filed unfair labor practice charges and a request for an order to cease and desist, alleging violations of RSA 273-A:5 I (c), (g), (h) and (i), as well as RSA 273-A: 11, I (a), based on the above referenced dispute. A hearing will be scheduled on the unfair labor practice charges and this hearing will provide a forum in which to resolve the question of the inclusion in the bargaining unit of certain contested clerical positions. The interest of administrative economy is served thereby. Decision No. 1998-018 now becomes the final decision of the Hearing Officer on the modification petition.

So ordered.

Signed this 12th day of May, 1998

Gail C. Morrison

Hearing Officer